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Applicant

Gilman

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Title

Refrigerator Shelf Retainer Assembly

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Examiner

T. M. Ayres

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COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner For Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In a Statement of Reasons For Allowance issued in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application, the Examiner indicated that certain novelty of the Applicant's invention lies in the fact that the biasing element does not require a track and that any combination of Geisler in view of Nickerson would a track along the front wall in order for the biasing element to function. Based on the claim language, it is submitted that this statement could be misleading. Instead, the Applicant submits that record is



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clear on the points of novelty of the claims which is based on the structure of the shelving unit in combination with the divider element and biasing or spring member as required by claims 1, 3, 5 and 19.

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